ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In an active matrix type display having built-in drivers, a metal layer is formed over a portion of a transparent substrate and a buffer layer is provided over both the region where the metal layer is formed and over the region where the metal layer is not formed. Above the buffer layer, a first polycrystalline silicon film is provided over the region where the metal layer is formed and a second polycrystalline silicon film is provided over the region where the metal layer is not formed. A buffer layer with sufficient thickness and thermal capacity can provide sufficient distance between the active layers and the lower metal layer to alleviate thermal leakage caused by the metal layer. A first polycrystalline silicon film and a second polycrystalline film each having a proper grain size can be obtained through laser annealing applied under the same conditions on an amorphous silicon film formed over the buffer layer.